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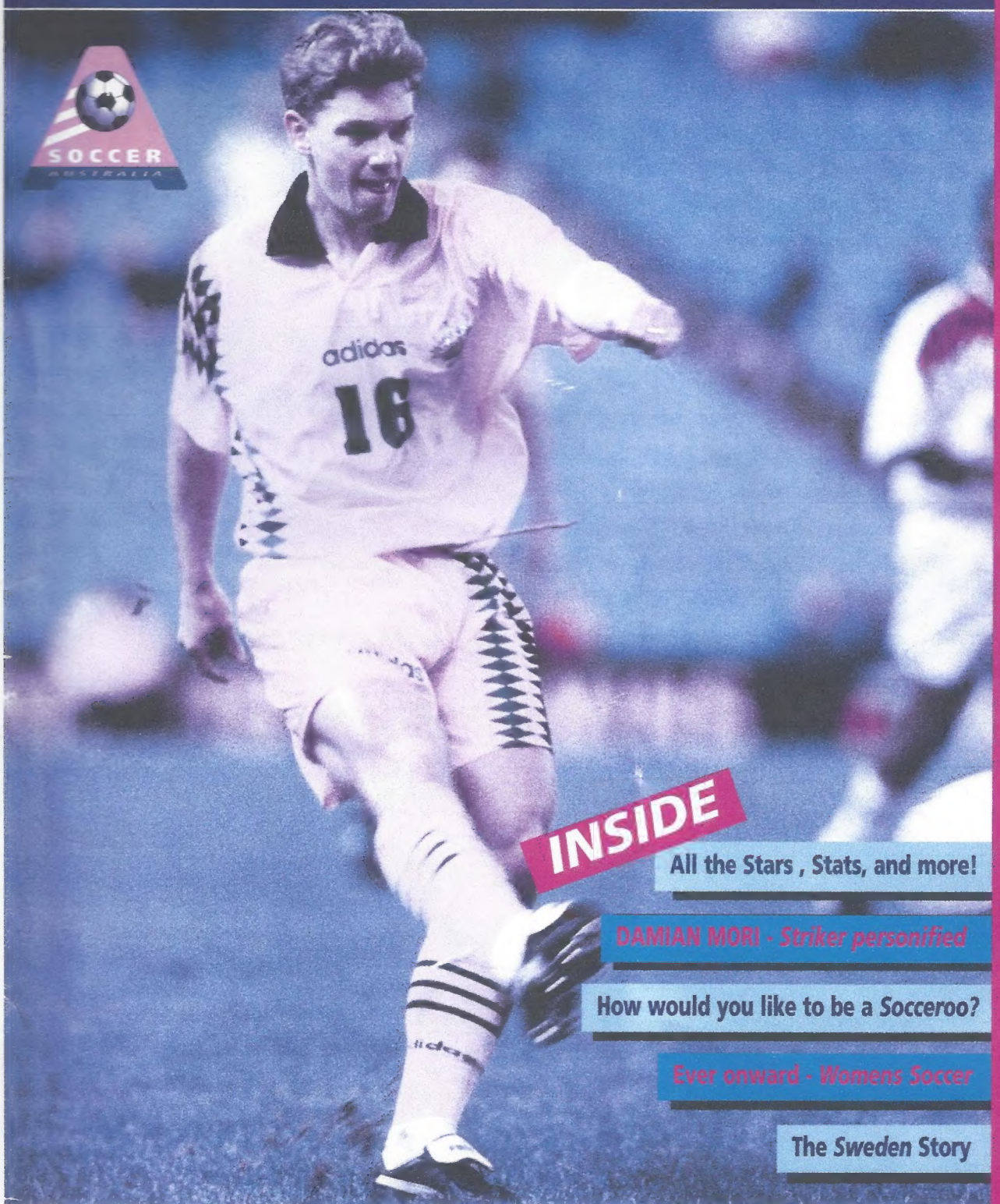

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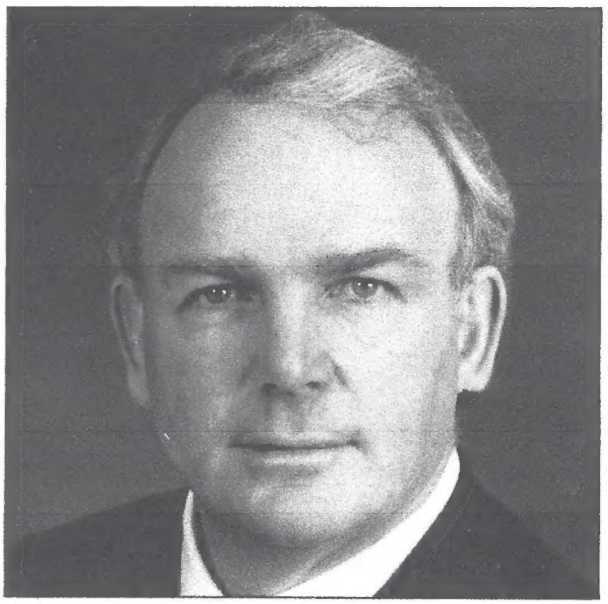
Chairman's Message

The playing of friendly internationals has now become paramount in the preparation by nations for the various competitions whether it be Euro '96, The Olympic Games in '96 or the World Cup in 1998.



The recent visit by Japan demonstrates the strengths of opposition to be met. It is fundamental for the *Coca-Cola* Socceroos to improve in their ability and thereby FIFA World Ranking.

In this context it is well known that we have many of our top players playing in various leagues overseas. Many of these matches are largely confined to domestic players which gives our international selectors and coaches the opportunity of evaluating the local players who will go to making up the remainder of the world squad. It permits players who are in our local leagues the opportunity of displaying their full wares against strong opposition and a chance of a place in the World Cup squad.

We now welcome, for only their second visit to Australia the national team of Sweden. The team that they bring with them contains eight members of their World Cup squad who gained third place in the competition in America.

We first made contact with Swedish Soccer through clubs, both men and women, but it was not until 1992 that Sweden toured here to play three matches for one draw and two victories to Australia. Of the team that played here at that time three players went on to join the squad which did so well in the U.S.A.

With a long list of successes in major international competitions, including winning the Olympics, it is a pleasure for us to host Sweden for these two matches in Brisbane and Sydney. The development of our game from junior to *Coca-Cola* Socceroos must always be to the forefront and this applies equally to our women's soccer.

A lot of our policy is achieved through the support of our numerous sponsors and we again cannot stress strongly enough our gratitude particularly to the *Coca-Cola* Company, The Australian Sports Commission, Ericsson Australia, Ansett Australia, Optus Communications, adidas, and Johnnie Walker as well as our match sponsors. Their support will always be essential to our future success.

We would like to express at this juncture our appreciation to Eddie Thomson, our National Coach, who in the first match against Japan reached his half century of matches as coach in charge of our *Coca-Cola* Socceroos.

Lastly, the supporters of our various *Coca-Cola* teams gives our administration and more importantly the players, the type of backing which produces better performances on the field.

David Hill
Chairman

Aerial view of Suncorp stadium in Brisbane

Welcome - Svenska Fotbollförbundet

It was not until 1992 that the Swedish National Side paid their first visit to Australia playing three matches. They drew the first and then lost the second and the third. Notwithstanding this the tour proved so successful that players developed on this tour joined the main squad which then played in the United States of America in 1994 in the World Cup at which time Sweden was placed third. Their record there was as follows :

Match	Venue	Result	Crowd
Sweden v Cameroon	Los Angeles	2-2	93,959
Sweden v Russia	Detroit	3-1	71,528
Sweden v Brazil	Detroit	1-1	77,217
Sweden v Saudi Arabia	Dallas	3-1	60,277
Sweden v Romania	San Francisco	7-6 *	81,715
Sweden v Brazil	Los Angeles	0-1	84,569
Sweden v Bulgaria	Los Angeles	4-0	83,716

*After penalties 1-1 at full time 2-2 after extra time.

In gaining their third place behind Brazil and Italy, Sweden played seven games winning three, drawing three, losing one, scoring fifteen goals and having eight scored against them for a total of twelve points.

Whilst soccer has been played in Sweden for a very long time it was not until 1904 that the National Sports Federation set up a board for both football and hockey and from this the Swedish Football Association developed in 1904. This was the same year that FIFA was formulated and Sweden became an accepted member in 1907 and entered their first international ventures in 1908 by beating Norway 11-3 in Gothamberg but unfortunately suffering an enormous defeat by twelve goals to one by England in their Olympic debut.

Despite being hampered by very cold winters and playing a lot of their matches out of season compared with the rest of Europe, soccer developed and became, together with ice hockey, two of the major sports of the country. In fact in Paris in 1924 they gained the bronze medal. These were the days when Sweden did have an edge playing mainly amateur soccer and the Olympics demanding that only those who were non professional were eligible to play. In 1934 Sweden played in their first World Cup but after defeating Argentina by three goals to two they lost in the quarter-finals by two goals to one against Germany. Two years later they unfortunately suffered a 3-2 defeat by Japan in the Berlin Olympics. 1948 saw the first major prize when Sweden entered and won the gold medal at the Olympics in London after beating Yugoslavia 3-1 in the final.

The Swedish National Squad - World Cup 1994

This period after the war saw the development of professional soccer in Sweden and the great forward Gunnar Nordahl was signed for AC Milan in the Italian League to become Sweden's first fully professional footballer. He was followed by Gunnar Gren and Nils Liedholm as the start of the exodus of Swedish players to other European Leagues.

Essentially the country still played mainly amateur soccer and Sweden finished third in the World Cup in Brazil in 1950 without a single professional player in the squad and equally gained another bronze medal at the Olympics this time in Helsinki in 1952.

The World Cup was held in Sweden in 1958 and the host country was successful in reaching the final but there they lost to Brazil by five goals to two. 1978 saw Sweden in the World Cup Finals for the third time in succession. These matches were played in Argentina but the team did not gain much success and they failed again in the World Cup played in Italy in 1990.

1992, the year they last toured Australia, commenced the build up of their team for the World Cup where they hosted Euro '92 and reached the semi-final prior to losing to Germany.

Success and development is not only related to the national side because when football was introduced to many schools in 1978 it was also promoted for the girls and they had their first elite girls camp in 1981. In 1984 the Swedish Women's National side were winners of the first women's European Championship. Development reached its climax in 1995 when Sweden was host to the Women's World Cup Finals.

No other sport, apart from ice hockey, attracts the enthusiasm of Swedish youngsters like football. There are 1,057,000 members and 3,242 clubs of which 430,000 are actively playing in 24,700 teams; it is estimated that there are 480,000 official football matches played each year. Interestingly there are 176,000 licensed players from the age of 15 of which 34,000 are women. It is estimated that 1.2 million spectators watch soccer in Sweden each year at the 7,600 football pitches utilised.

Despite having a population of less than 9 million inhabitants Sweden has produced some of the greatest players in the world. Gunnar Nordahl will always be an illustrious figure to look up to. He scored a total of 453 goals in 33 internationals for Sweden and once scored all five goals in a win by five goals to three against Norway. He was a top scorer in the Italian A League for five seasons running and scored an amazing 36 goals in 38 matches for Milan in one season. He and Gren Lidholm were the first of the big seven to gain prominent positions in Italian football. There were other legendary figures like Kurt Hamrin and Nacka Skoglund and as time rolled on they included players like Thomas Brolin, Limpar Dahlin.

This tour by Sweden commences with a tournament in Hong Kong to be followed here in Australia. The side contains a number of players who represented them in the 1994 World Cup: - Thomas Ravelli, Mikael Nilsson, Teddy Lucic, Hakan Mild, Magnus Erlingmark, Jesper Blomqvist, Roland Nilsson.

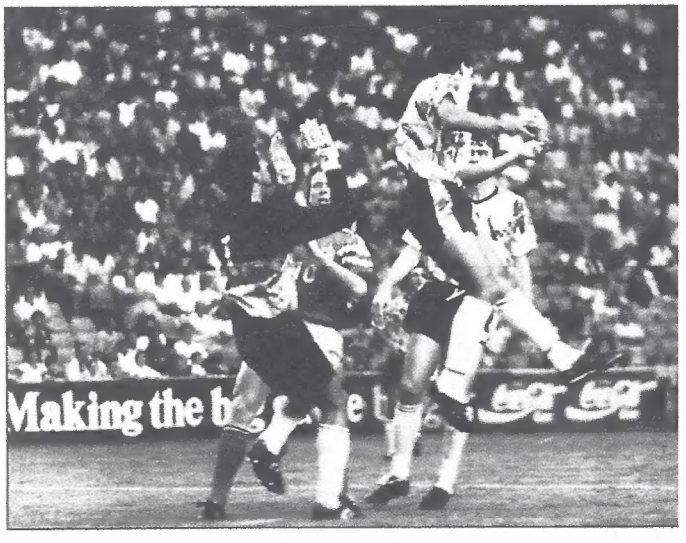
Whilst having exited from the 1996 Euro Sports, there is a big build up of a squad who it is anticipated will represent the country in Paris in 1998 by being successful in the elimination series which will take place next year.

The recent results of Sweden are as follows:

16.8.95	Sweden 1-0	USA (friendly)
6.9.95	Sweden 0-0	Swizerland (Euro'96 Qualifications)
11.10.95	Sweden 2-0	Scotland (friendly)
15.11.95	Sweden 2-2	Turkey (Euro'96 Qualifications)

Left: Gunnar Nordahl, one of Sweden's most famous players, together with Tomas Brolin, current Swedish superstar.

Right: Action from the last Australia v Sweden match, played in Sydney in 1992.



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Messages

SWEDISH EMBASSY

It is a great pleasure to welcome the Swedish National Soccer Team to Australia for their second tour.

The team was last here in 1992 when they not only enjoyed the football but also the excitement of Adelaide, Melbourne and Sydney.

As in 1992, both the Australian and Swedish teams are making preliminary preparations to qualify for the WORLD CUP in Paris in 1998. It is now history that, following their last visit to Australia, the Swedish team went on to gain third place in the WORLD CUP in the United States of America.

Whilst a rivalry exists on the playing pitch, players and supporters of both sides met in great camaraderie. We trust this will again be the case during their forthcoming visit.

My best wishes to both teams for an enjoyable match.

May the best team win!

Goran Hasselmark
Ambassador

Rosunda stadium, Stockholm

SWEDISH FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION

It is an honour for us in Sweden, to have the opportunity to visit Australia during this time of the year. Back in Sweden, we have a winter of bad conditions for soccer.

The only possibility for soccer is indoor, and therefore, it is a great advantage for us to visit Australia for training and matches on natural grass and under good conditions.

We did not have to hesitate when we were offered the opportunity to come and play in Australia. The last time we were here with our national team, in 1992, it was very successful - in all aspects. We had perfect training conditions, good matches (even if we did not manage to win!), excellent organisation and superb hospitality.

The results were not so good - at the time. But now, four years later, the outcome of those weeks, is obvious. This is where our national coach, Tommy Svensson, started to build the team that gave us surprising success, both in the European Championships back in 1992, and especially in the World Cup in 1994.

Among the players who made their international debut during the visit in 1992, were Patrik Andersson, Borussia Monchengladbach, and Joachim Bjorklund Vicenza. Both have now 40 international matches and are players on the highest international level, both in their clubs and in our national team.

Now, Tommy is building a new team, aiming for the World Cup in France, 1998. We hope that we have players with the same potential in the squad for these matches, and that they develop to become World Cup players in 1998, just as Patrik and Joachim did in USA '94.

We are looking forward to these matches in all terms. Our players will gain important international experience - and we will also have our chance to beat Australia for the first time in history. We did not manage this during our visit in 1992 - and we were also defeated in the Olympics in Barcelona. This might be an opportunity to improve our statistical record!

Lars-Ake Lagrell
President

Going forward – Australian Women's Soccer

AUSTRALIAN WOMEN'S SOCCER ASSOCIATION

Having narrowly missed out on qualification for next year's Atlanta Olympics, the focus of women's soccer's elite program is now directed towards the 1999 World Cup and, of course, the 2000 Olympics.

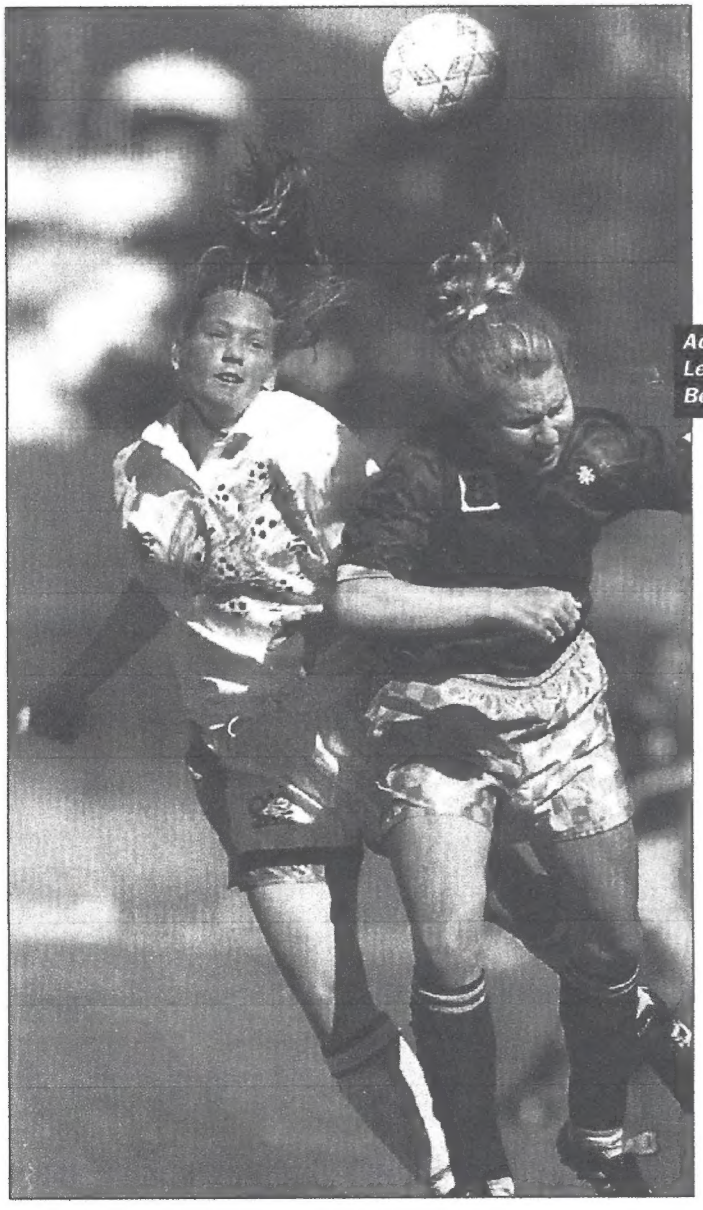
The Australian Women's Soccer Association (AWSA) has recently approved a new proposal designed to increase the opportunities available to its elite young players and with the objective of a medal at the Sydney Olympics.

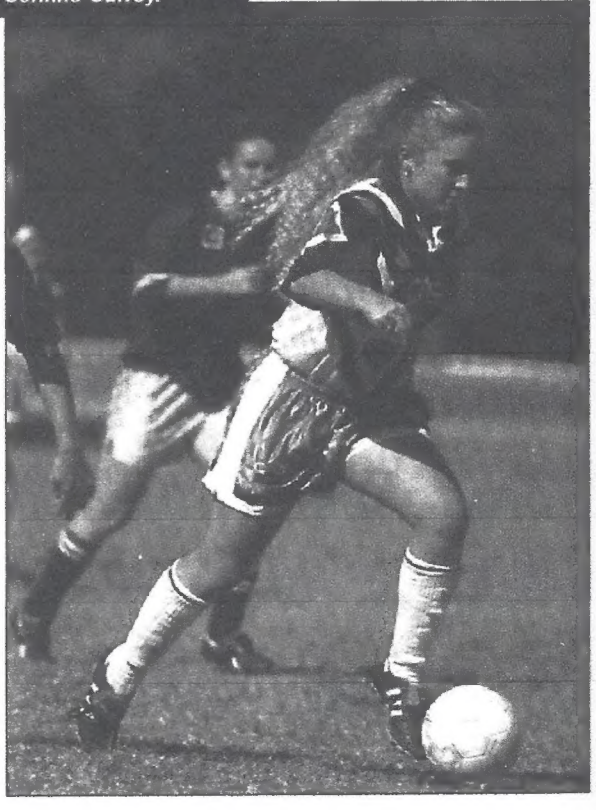
Two key components of the new direction are an extensive program training camps being conducted around the country and several international tours by the National Elite Squad.

During the week 22-28 February, the National Senior team is in camp on the Gold Coast in preparation for the game against the Queensland State team. Whilst at the camp, players will undergo extensive training and sports science testing, educational lectures and a number of games - all designed to assist the National Coach, Tom Sermanni, identify players for future national team activities. From Brisbane, the team will travel to Sydney to play against the recently formed Sydney Cosmos team - once again, a preliminary match to the Socceroos/Sweden game.

In late March, the national team will participate in a three way tournament in Auckland against New Zealand and Korea and will follow this up with a possible tour to the United States in May/June.

All the above is made viable through financial support from the Australian Sports Commission and the Australian Olympic Committee through the Olympic Athlete Program and the Australian Women's Soccer Association (AWSA) thanks them for their continued support. The AWSA would also like to thank Soccer Australia, and Queensland Soccer Federation for the assistance and co-operation received in the staging of these matches and we look forward to future ventures of a similar nature.





Action from women's soccer. Left: Tammie Thornton. Below: Corinne Currey.

Women's Squads

AUSTRALIA v QUEENSLAND
Suncorp Stadium, Brisbane
5.00pm, 25 February 1996

Shirt: White
Shorts: Green
Socks: White

AUSTRALIA

1. Tracey Wheeler
2. Sarah Cooper
3. Tracie McGovern
4. Kristyn Swaffer
5. Bridgette Starr
6. Lizzy Claydon
7. Sacha Wainwright
8. Sarah Fitzgerald
9. Lisa Casagrande
10. Joanne Peters
11. Michelle Watson
12. Katrina Boyd
13.
14. Sharon Black
15. Kristy Moore
16. Shelley Youman

Coach: Tom Sermanni
Assistants: Greg Brown, Jeff Olver
Physiotherapist: Ed Hollis
Manager: Lesley Mann

Shirt: Maroon
Shorts: Maroon
Socks: Maroon

QUEENSLAND

1. Belinda Kitching
2. Sonia Gegenhuber
3. Louise McMurtrie
4. Vanessa Baker
5. Amber Overton
6. Lisa Dunne
7. Corinne Currey
8. Tanya Corbett
9. Sarah Garven
10. Kim Revell
11. Tammie Thornton
12. April Mann
13. Kate Mulvihill
14. Kelly Polakow
15. Alicia Ferguson
16. Kim Jones
18. Tanya Cowen

Coach: Gunter Pfuhl
Assistants: Jeff Howarth, Susan Clayaton
Trainer: Alison Baker

AUSTRALIA v SYDNEY COSMOS
Sydney Football Stadium
5.15pm, 28 February 1996

Shirt: White
Shorts: Green
Socks: White

AUSTRALIA

1. Belinda Barter
2. Sarah Cooper
3. Tracie McGovern
4. Kristyn Swaffer
5. Bridgette Starr
6. Lizzy Claydon
7. Sacha Wainwright
8. Sarah Fitzgerald
9. Joanne Powell
10. Joanne Peters
11. Michelle Watson
12. Katrina Boyd
13. Trudy Diamond
14. Sharon Black
15. Kristy Moore
16. Shelley Youman
20. Tory Turner

Coach Tom Sermanni

Shirt: Green/Blue
Shorts: Green/Blue
Socks: Green/Blue

SYDNEY COSMOS

1. Claire Nichols
2. Lisa Warrener
3. Stephanie Kite
4. Julie Murray (Cpt)
5. Kristy Mehan
6. Amy Treddenick
7. Kaylene Janssen
8. Melissa Denning
9. Michelle Prouten
10. Jordie Blank
11. Melinda Bullivant
12. Marlene Widders
13. Ourania Amvrasis
14. Anne-Marie Csuka

16. Melissa Bajwell

Oper. Manager John Denison
Coach Gershwin Lai
Administrator Sue Andrews
Physio/Masseur Charlie Jurusic
Manager Leanne Hamilton

REFEREES

AUSTRALIA v QUEENSLAND
Suncorp Stadium, Brisbane
25 February 1996

Referee: Tammy Peacock
Linesmen: Annette Comino, Jason Power
4th Official: David Dwight
Inspector: Dave Nugent

AUSTRALIA v SYDNEY COSMOS
Sydney Football Stadium
28 February 1996

Referee: Jenny Bray
Linesmen: John Cameron, Nathan Parker
4th Official: Jeff Tippett
Inspector: Geoff Leverton

Australia

ZELJO KALAC

Date of Birth: 16-12-72
Position: Goalkeeper
Current Club: Wolverhampton Wanderers (Eng)
Height: 202 cms
Weight: 91 kgs
A Internationals: 13
Goals: 0

The man they call 'Spider' has really burst on to the scene over the last couple of seasons. Made *Coca-Cola* Socceroo debut in 1992 against Malaysia. Goalkeeper of the year for the last two seasons. Starred in the Kirin Cup against France in Japan in 1994 when he saved a penalty from Jean-Pierre Papin. Made headlines in Australia with his record transfer to English first division club Leicester City. Now with Wolverhampton Wanderers in the English first division. One of the real characters of the game.

JASON POLAK

Date of Birth: 9.01.68
Position: Midfielder
Current Club: Brisbane Striker
Height: 179 cms
Weight 78 kgs
A Internationals: 23
Goals: 1

Quality midfielder who is now starting to make his mark for the national team. Who will ever forget his wonderful solo effort to score against South Africa in a match at the Sydney Football Stadium last year? Skilful player and good to watch now with the Brisbane Strikers in the *Ericsson Cup.*

TONY POPOVIC

Date of Birth: 04-07-73
Position: Defender
Current Club: Sydney United
Height: 193 cms
Weight: 93 kgs
A Internationals: 9
Goals: 0

Has worked his way up through the ranks from the *Coca-Cola* Joeys (under 17s), *Coca-Cola* Young Socceroos (under 20s), *Coca-Cola* Olyroos (Barcelona Olympics) and now *Coca-Cola* Socceroos. Talented player who can be used as a sweeper, central defender or midfielder. One of the nice guys of the game.

MILAN IVANOVIC

Date of Birth: 21-12-60
Position: Sweeper
Current Club: Adelaide City
Height: 187 cms
Weight: 80 kgs
A Internationals: 38
Goals: 0

Veteran campaigner but still a vital part of the *Coca-Cola* Socceroo squad. The former Red Star Belgrade player first represented Australia in 1991 against Czechoslovakia. Milan was voted 1990/91 Player of the Year in the *Ericsson Cup.* Everything he does on the field is touched with class. One of the most popular players in the game.

ALEX TOBIN

Date of Birth: 3-11-65
Position: Defender
Current Club: Adelaide City
Height: 190 cms
Weight: 80 kgs
A Internationals: 54
Goals: 1

A long standing member of the *Coca-Cola* Socceroos. A quiet achiever because he does his job so well you never seem to notice him much on the field. Made his debut for the *Coca-Cola* Socceroos as a substitute against IFK Gothenburg in January, 1988. Has marked some of the best strikers in the world – and finished on top. He is intelligent and personable.

PAUL WADE

Date of Birth: 20-3-63
Position Midfielder: (Captain)
Current Club: Canberra Cosmos
Height: 181 cms
Weight: 72 kgs
A Internationals: 79
Goals: 11

Australia's highest capped player. Made national team debut in 1986 against China. One of his highlights is marking Maradona – and doing a great job – in the two World cup qualifiers against Argentina in 1993. An inspiration to his team-mates and a credit to his country.

DAMIAN MORI

Date of Birth: 30-9-70
Position: Midfielder
Current Club: Adelaide City
Height: 185 cms
Weight: 85 kgs
A Internationals: 19
Goals: 3

A member of Australia's 1992 Olympic team, Damian is fast becoming a permanent member of the *Coca-Cola* Socceroo squad, with France 1998 his main objective. In Adelaide Damian Mori is a hero. His world-class goal against Melbourne Knights gave Adelaide City the Championship, their third, in the 1993/94 Grand Final.

MILAN BLAGOJEVIC

Date of Birth: 24.12.69
Position: Defender/Midfielder
Current Club: UTS Olympic
Height: 163cms
Weight: 80kgs
A Internationals: 10
Goals: 0

One of the most talented players in the *Ericsson Cup,* Milan returned to Australia after stints in Belgium and Holland. Milan made his debut for the *Coca-Cola* Socceroos as a substitute in the President's Cup matches in South Korea in 1991. A member of the 1992 *Coca-Cola* Olyroos in their fourth placed effort at the Barcelona Olympics.

GRAHAM ARNOLD

Date of Birth: 3-08-63
Position: Striker
Current Club: NAC Breda (Holland)
Height: 184 cms
Weight 87 kgs
A Internationals: 46
Goals: 15

Has been an important part of the *Coca-Cola* Socceroos since emerging back in 1985. They don't come more Dinky-Di than Arnie. Has had a fantastic career in Europe where he seems to have gained more recognition than he has back home. Courageous player who gives his all for his country. Wants to continue to play for the national team - and that's great news. His dream: to get Australia to the next World Cup.

Player Profiles

KEVIN MUSCAT

Date of Birth: 07-08-73
Position: Defender
Current Club: South Melbourne
Height: 181 cms
Weight: 75 kgs
A Internationals: 3
Goals: 0

Captain of the *Coca-Cola* Olyroos and Captain for *Coca-Cola* Young Socceroos at the 1993 FIFA/*Coca-Cola* held in Australia. One of the toughest players in the Ericsson Cup, Kevin has returned from England but at this stage he has not been signed. A graduate of the Australian Institute of Sport.

ROBBIE SLATER

Date of Birth: 22.11.64
Position: Striker
Current Club: West Ham (England)
Height: 179 cms
Weight: 82 kgs
A Internationals: 15
Goals: 0

The 1993 Oceania player of the year, Robbie was one of the stars of Australia's World Cup campaign. Robbie was named Diego Maradona's man of the match in Australia's first match against Argentina last year. Now based at West Ham after a one year stint with English Premier League Champions, Blackburn Rovers. Robbie intends to remain a part of the *Coca-Cola* Socceroo squad, with his sights firmly fixed on the World Cup in France in 1998. This match against Sweden will be his first in Australia since that epic battle against Argentina.

JOE SPITERI

Date of Birth: 6.5.73
Position: Striker
Current Club: Melbourne Knights
Height: 178cms
Weight: 75kgs
A Internationals: 4
Goals: 2

Joe's move to the Melbourne Knights to partner Mark Viduka developed into one of the most lethal strike forces last season. A good worker, Joe is able to finish chances effectively and is always hungry for goals. Scored one of the two goals in the Melbourne Knights Grand Final victory over Adelaide City.

ROBERT HOOKER

Date of Birth: 6.3.67
Position: Defender
Current Club: West Adelaide
Height: 177cms
Weight: 71kgs
A Internationals: 5
Goals: 0

Captain of *Ericsson Cup* side West Adelaide. Robbie returns to the national team after making his debut against South Korea in 1990. Formerly with *Ericsson Cup* sides UTS Olympic and Sydney City, Robbie was a member of the 1985 *Coca-Cola* Young Socceroo side.

DANNY TIATTO

Date of Birth: 22-5-73
Position: Midfielder
Current Club: Melbourne Knights
Height: 170cms
Weight: 70kgs
A Internationals: 3
Goals: 0

Daniel's debut season was one to remember. Played his first season for the Melbourne Knights in their Championship year, as well as debuting for the *Coca-Cola* Socceroos and *Coca-Cola* Olyroos. Daniel was nominated last season's Players' Player of the Year Award, the Warren Medal, missing out to his Knights team mate, Mark Viduka. Has performed consistently since then to become a regular for the *Coca-Cola* Olyroos.

PAUL TRIMBOLI

Date of Birth: 25.2.69
Position: Striker
Current Club: South Melbourne
Height: 177cms
Weight: 85kgs
A Internationals: 15
Goals: 4

Paul makes his return to the senior team after a two year absence. A former scholarship holder at the Australian Institute of Sport, Paul represented the *Coca-Cola* Joeys as well as the *Coca-Cola* Young Socceroos. Made his debut with the *Coca-Cola* Socceroos in 1988, against Fiji. First played in the *Ericsson Cup* with Sunshine George Cross before joining his current club South Melbourne.

GORAN LOZANOVSKI

Date of Birth: 11-1-74
Position: Midfielder
Current Club: Adelaide City
Height: 182cms
Weight: 84kgs
A Internationals: 2
Goals: 0

A versatile player, Goran can utilise both feet with great skill. Goran possesses a powerful shot, with the ability to score goals from great distances. Formerly with Preston, Goran is now a regular with Adelaide City. A graduate of the Australian Institute of Sport. This is Goran's first appearance with the *Coca-Coca* Socceroos.

DOMINIC LONGO

Date of Birth: 23-8-70
Position: Defender
Current Club: Marconi Fairfield
Height: 184cms
Weight: 84kgs
A Internationals: 3
Goals: 0

Originally from Tasmania, Dominic won a scholarship to the Australian Institute of Sport. After playing in the National League for Blacktown and St. George, Dominic won selection to the Australian *Coca-Cola* Joeys, *Coca-Cola* Young Socceroos and then the *Coca-Cola* Olyroos. After playing in Belgium for several years Dominic is back in Australia playing for Marconi Fairfield in the *Ericsson Cup*.

JASON PETKOVIC

Date of Birth: 7-12-72
Position: Goalkeeper
Current Club: Adelaide City
Height: 196cms
Weight: 85 kgs
A Internationals: 2
Goals: 0

The second of Eddie Thomson's new goalkeepers, Jason made his debut in the *Ericsson Cup* last season replacing former *Coca-Cola* Socceroo Robert Zabica. He is now the regular keeper for last year's Grand Finalists, Adelaide City. Jason is a further example of Australia's strength in goalkeeping.

AUSTRALIA

AUSTRALIA

No.	Player	Club	Brisbane	Sydney
1	**Zeljko Kalac**	Wolv. Wanderers		
2	**Jason Polak**	Brisbane Strikers		
3	**Tony Popovic**	Sydney United		
4	**Milan Ivanonovic**	Adelaide City		
5	**Alex Tobin**	Adelaide City		
6	**Paul Wade**	Canberra Cosmos		
7	**Damian Mori**	Adelaide City		
8	**Milan Blagojevic**	UTS Olympic		
9	**Graham Arnold**	NAC Breda		
10	**Kevin Muscat**	South Melbourne		
11	**Robbie Slater**	West Ham		
12	**Joe Spiteri**	Melbourne Knights		
13	**Robert Hooker**	West Adelaide		
14	**Danny Tiatto**	Melbourne Knights		
15	**Paul Trimboli**	South Melbourne		
16	**Goran Lozanovski**	Adelaide City		
17	**Dominic Longo**	Marconi Fairfield		
18	**Jason Petkovic**	Adelaide City		

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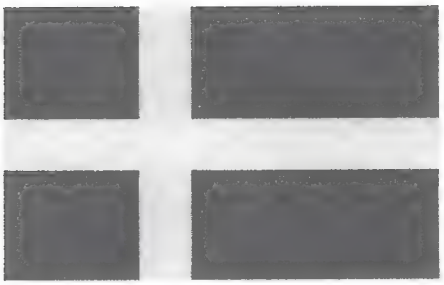


SWEDEN

No.	Player	Club	Brisbane	Sydney
1	**Thomas Ravelli**	IFK Goteborg		
2	**Roland Nilsson**	Helsingborgs IF		
3	**Teddy Lucic**	IFK Goteborg		
4	**Andreas Jacobsson**	Helsingborgs IF		
5	**Chritian Karlsson**	Malmo FF		
6	**Sebastian Henriksson**	Orgryte IS		
7	**Stefan Landberg**	IFK Goteborg		
8	**Hakan Mild**	IFK Goteborg		
9	**Nicias Alexandersson**	IFK Goteborg		
10	**Anders Andersson**	Malmo FF		
11	**Jesper Blomqvist**	IFK Gotebrog		
12	**Bengt Anderson**	Orgryte IS		
13	**Mikael Nilsson**	IFK Goteborg		
14	**Magnus Erlingmark**	IFK Goteborg		
15	**Magnus Svensson**	Halmstads BK		
16	**Peter Wibran**	Helsingborgs IF		
17	**Andreas Andersson**	IFK Goteborg		
18	**Mattias Jonsson**	Helsingborgs IF		
19	**Martin Pringle**	Helsingborgs IF		
20	**Dan Sahlin**	Orebro SK		

Sweden

BENGT ANDERSON

Orgryte IS
Date of Birth: 10.04.1974
Position: Goalkeeper
Profession: Student
Height: 191 cm
Weight: 95 kg
Internationals: 4 A, 15 U18
First A Internationals: 04.06.1995, Brazil - Sweden 1-0
Clubs: Hanhals BK - 1979, GAIS 1980-85,IK Brage 1986-92, Orgryte IS 1993-

THOMAS RAVELLI

IFK Goteborg
Date of Birth: 13.08.1959
Position: Goalkeeper
Profession: Salesman
Height: 186 cm
Weight: 82 kg
Internationals: 128 A, 10 U21, 6 U18, 3 U16
First A Internationals: 27.02.1981, Finland - Sweden 2-1
Honours: Swedish champion 1980, 1981, 1990, 1991, 1993, 1994, 1995. Cup winner 1991 Player of the year 1981, World Cup 1990, 1994 (3rd place). Euro 92 (semi-final).
Clubs: Osters IF 1969-88, IFK Goteborg 1989-

SEBASTIAN HENRIKSSON

Orgryte IS
Date of Birth: 12.10.1974
Position: Defender
Profession: Student
Height: 187 cm
Weight: 82 kg
Internationals: 14 U21, 4 U18, 5 U16
First A Internationals: 0
Clubs: Degerfors IF 1994, Orgryte IS 1995-

ANDREAS JACOBSSON

Helsingborgs IF
Date of Birth: 06.10.1972
Position: Defender
Profession: Designer
Height: 189 cm
Weight: 89 kg
Internationals: 1 B, 3 U21
First A Internationals: 0
Clubs: Teckomatorps SK - 1988, Landskrona BoIS 1989-94, Helsingborgs IF 1995

Thomas Ravelli

Teddy Lucic

Magnus Erlingmark

CHRISTIAN KARLSSON

Malmo FF
Date of Birth: 20.09.1969
Position: Defender
Profession: Student
Height: 193 cm
Weight: 85 kg
Internationals: 3 Olympic
First A Internationals: 0
Clubs: Vellinge IF - 1988, Trelleborgs FF 1989-95, Malmo FF 1996

STEFAN LANDBERG

IFK Goteborg
Date of Birth: 05.05.1970
Position: Defender
Profession: Clerk
Height: 183 cm Weight: 73 kg
Internationals: 11 A (1 goal), 22 Olympic, 3 U21, 5 U18
First A Internationals: 11.11.1992, Israel - Sweden 1-3
Honours: Swedish champion 1995. Olympic football tournament,Barcelona 1992 (quarter-final)
Clubs: Hultsfreds FK- 1986, Kalmar FF 1987-89, Osters IF 1990-94, IFK Goteborg 1995 -

TEDDY LUCIC

IFK Goteborg
Date of Birth: 15.04.1973
Position: Defender
Profession: Teaching Assistant
Height: 187 cm
Weight: 76 kg
Internationals: 5 A, 18 U21
First A Internationals: 04.06.1995, Brazil - Sweden 1-0
Honours: Squad member at the World Cup 1994 : (3rd place)
Clubs: Lundby IF - 1992, Vastra Frolunda IF 1993-95, IFK Goteborg 1996

MIKAEL NILSSON

IFK Goteberg
Date of Birth: 28.09.1968 Position: Defender
Profession: Tobacconist Height: 187 cm
Weight: 82 kg Internationals: 19 A, 14 U21, 4 U18
First A Internationals: 17.04.1981 Greece - Sweden 2-2
Honours: Swedish champion 1990, 1991, 1993, 1994, 1995. Cup winner 1991. World Cup 1994 (3rd place) Euro 92 (semi-final).
Clubs: Tomtens IF 1973-82, IFK Falkoping 1982-87, IFK Goteborg 198?-

ROLAND NILSSON

Helsingborgs IF
Date of Birth: 27.11.63 Position: Defender
Profession: Stockbroker Height: 179 cm
Weight: 77 kg
Internationals: 76 A (1 goal), 9 Olympic, 113 U21, 19 U18, 4 U16.
First A Internationals: 01.05.1981 Sweden-Greece 0-0
Honours: Swedish champion 1983, 1987. Cup winner 1983, UEFA Cup winner 1987. English League Cup winner 1990/91. Olympic football tournament, Seoul 1988 (quarter-final). World Cup 1990, 1994 (3rd place). Euro 92 (semi-final).
Clubs: IK Bergandy - 1975, Helsingborgs IF 1976-82 (one month on loan) 1994, IFK Goteborg 1983-1989, Sheffield WednesdayFC 1989-94.

NICLAS ALEXANDERSSON

IFK Goteborg
Date of Birth: 29.12.71 Position: Midfielder
Profession: Clerk Height: 181 cm
Weight: 73 kg
Internationals: 11 A (2 goals), 12 Olympic, 15 U21, 19 U18, 4 U16
First A Internationals: 10.11.1993 Austria-Sweden 1-1
Honours: Swedish Cup winner 1995. Olympic football tournament, Barcelona 1992 (quarter-final).
Clubs: Vessigebro BK-1987, Halmstads BK 1988-95, IFK Goteborg 1996-

Player Profiles

ANDERS ANDERSSON

Malmo FF
Date of Birth: 15.03.1974
Position: Midfielder
Profession: Professional Player
Height: 174 cm
Weight: 75 kg
Internationals: 1 A, 1 B, 24 U21, 13 U18, 18 U16
First A Internationals: 24.02.1994, Mexico-Sweden 2-1
Clubs: Svenstorps IF - 1990, Malmo FF 1991-

JESPER BLOMQVIST

IFK Goteborg
Date of Birth: 05.02.1974
Position: Midfielder
Profession: Student
Height: 176 cm
Weight: 74 kg
Internationals: 14 A, 12 U21, 12 U18, 15 U16
First A Internationals: 18.02.1994, Colombia-Sweden 0-0
Honours: Swedish champion 1994, 1995, World Cup 1994 (3rd place)
Rookie of the year 1994
Clubs: Tavelsjo AIK - 1991, Umea FC 1992-93, : IFK Goteborg 1993 -

MAGNUS ERLINGMARK

IFK Goteborg
Date of Birth: 08.07.1968
Position: Midfielder Profession: Marketing Assistant
Height: 188 cm Weight: 82 kg
Internationals: 31 A (1 goal), 10 U21
First A Internationals: 14.02.1990, U.A.E. - Sweden 22-1
Honours: Swedish champon 1993, 1994, 1995.
World Cup 1994 (3rd place), Euro 92 (semi-final).
Clubs: BK Forward - 1988, Orebro SK 1989-92 IFK Goteborg 1993 -

HAKAN MILD

IFK Goteborg
Date of Birth: 14.06.1971
Position: Midfielder Profession: Public Relations Assistant
Height: 182 cm Weight: 79kg
Internationals: 26 A (6 goals), 19 Olympic, 4 U21, 11 U18
First A Internationals: 17.04.1986, Greece - Sweden 2-2
Honours: Swedish champion 1990, 1991, 1993. Cup winner 1991,
Swiss champion 1994, Olympic football tournament,
Barcelona : 1992 (quarter final) World Cup 1994 (3rd place)
Clubs: Trollhattans FK - 1987, IFK Goteborg 1988-93
Servette FC 1994-1995

Michael Nilsson

Håkan Mild

Roland Nilsson

MAGNUS SVENSSON

Halmstads BK
Date of Birth: 10.03.1969
Position: Midfielder
Profession: Electrician
Height: 172 cm
Weight: 72 kg
Internationals: 0
First A Internationals: 0
Honours: Swedish Cup winner 1995
Clubs: Vinbergs IF - 1993, Halmstads BK 1994-

PETER WIBRAN

Helsingborgs IF
Date of Birth: 23.03.1969
Position: Midfielder
Profession: Salesman
Height: 179 cm
Weight: 79 kg
Internationals: 1 A, 1 B, 7 U21, 1 U18, 17 U16
First A Internationals: 10.06.1995 Sweden-Japan 2-2
Clubs: IFK Lammhult - 1985, Vederslov/Danningelanda IF 1986-87
Osters IF 1988-95, Helsingborgs IF 1996-

ANDREAS ANDERSSON

IFK Goteborg
Date of Birth: 10.04.1974
Position: Forward
Profession: Student
Height: 185 cm
Weight: 77 kg
Internationals: 1 B, 3 U21
First A Internationals: 0
Clubs: Hova IF -1993, Tidaholms GIF 1994, Degerfors IF 1994-95
IFK Goteborg 1996-

MATTIAS JONSSON

Helsingborgs IF
Date of Birth: 16.01.1974
Position: Forward
Profession: Salesman
Height: 182 cm
Weight: 75 kg
Internationals: 1 B, 15 U21
First A Internationals0
Clubs: Orebro SK - 1995, Helsingborgs IF 1996-

MARTIN PRINGLE

Helsingborgs IF
Date of Birth: 18.11.1970
Position: Forward
Profession: Student
Height: 190 cm
Weight: 76 kg
Internationals: 1 A,
First A Internationals: 11.10.1995, Sweden-Scotland 2-0
Clubs: Vallens IF 199, Stenungssunds IF 1992-93
Helsingborgs IF 1994 -

DAN SAHLIN

Orebro SK
Date of Birth: 18.04.1967
Position: Forward
Profession: Stadium Attendant
Height: 185 cm
Weight: 82 kg
Internationals: 1 A, 1 B,
First A Internationals: 15.11.1995, Sweden-Turkey, 2-2
Clubs: Nynashamns IF 1992, Vasterhaninge IF 1993-94
Hammarby IF 1995, Orebro SK 1996-

All records up to January 1, 1996

Damian Mori

It is extremely doubtful that Joe Mori whilst playing Junior Representative Soccer in Slovinia could ever have imagined that one day he would have a son representing Australia at the Olympics and vying for a spot in a national side to play in the World Cup in Paris.

For economic reasons Joe left Slovinia at the age of 17 and migrated to Melbourne. There he continued his soccer with the Melbourne club Croatia where he played continually for some years.

In 1967, at the age of 21 he met and married Helen from and old Australian family and they raised a family of three children, Joseph the eldest, Damian in the middle and young Jane as the only daughter.

Right from an early age Joe encouraged his two sons Joseph and Damian in soccer and Damian already had his own football at 16 months.

The boys attended St Leo's College in Melbourne and although the school, in the heartland of Australian Rules, was not excessively strong in soccer they played for the school until they graduated.

From the age of five Damian played junior soccer with the Box Hill club and remained with them, graduating up the ranks until the age of 16. It was then that he joined the South Melbourne club for senior soccer and played one and a half seasons with them.

To further his career he then had a number of changes over the next 4 years. First of all he was with a Brunswick club in the anticipation that they would be part of the National League but when that did not eventuate he joined Sunshine George Cross for one season and thereafter the Melbourne Knights for another season.

It was while with the Sunshine George Cross that he first came to notice of the National selectors and joined the *Coca-Cola* Olyroos squad who played their early warm up games against Fiji prior to qualifying for the Olympics in Barcelona. It was whilst with the Melbourne Knights that he joined that now famous *Coca-Cola* Olyroos side which gained fourth place in the Olympics and of which many of his peers are with him in the *Coca-Cola* Socceroos today.

On his return from Barcelona Damian joined Adelaide City and moved to that city where he now resides. It was there some 21 months ago that he married Josie, an Australian from Italian lineage, and with Damian's penchant for building, have built their own home.

Whilst in Adelaide, the City participated in four grand finals in which Damian played three with a record of 1 win and 2 losses. His status however as an extremely effective striker is much appreciated in the Cathedral City and was demonstrated in his last match against Morewell when he scored a hat trick to help his team to a 5 - 0 victory.

Like many of the Australian Soccer players he is only a part-time professional and spends the rest of his time as a Sales Representative for Best Masonry Bricks and Pavers, a position he fully enjoys. He also enjoys other sports such as golf when time permits. At the same time he would not be averse to considering a contract to play soccer in Europe and he hopes by his endeavours to make the World Cup team. He might get the opportunity.

Damian Mori as a 16-month and a 9-year old

Brothers Joseph, 15 (back row, third from right), and Damian, 13 (back row, fourth from right), as members of the 1983 Box Hill soccer team

So you want to be a *Coca-Cola* Socceroo

In recent years there has been a global acknowledgement of the ever improving player development in this country.

Young players have their first introduction to soccer through "Rooball", a FIFA endorsed soccer game for children. Rooball has been devised to give young players the maximum opportunity to participate in the game, to develop their ball skills and most of all to have fun and to continue to play soccer throughout their life.

For children over the age of eleven, State Federations offer highly motivated young talented players the chance to improve their soccer skills through Regional Development Programs. Players are also identified through these coaching programs to be selected to play in State Teams at under 14, under 15 and under 16 age groups. Junior Championships for under 15's are conducted annually whereas the under 14's and under 16's are alternated. This system ensures that players are identified well in advance for future World competitions.

Women's Soccer National Championships are run each year at under 16, under 19 and open age groups for selection into the National Programs.

Intensive Training Centre (ITC) Programs have also been established at State level to enhance the needs of boys and girls to develop their individual and team skills to the highest level. The ITC Programs offer players an opportunity to acquire new skills under the guidance of Professional coaches and senior players while experiencing first hand the dedication needed and training methods used for elite player development.

International competition starts for Australian Youth players at the U17 FIFA Youth Championships which is played every two years, the U20 FIFA Youth Championships which is played every two years, the Olympics (U23) which is played every four years and the FIFA World Cup which is also played every four years.

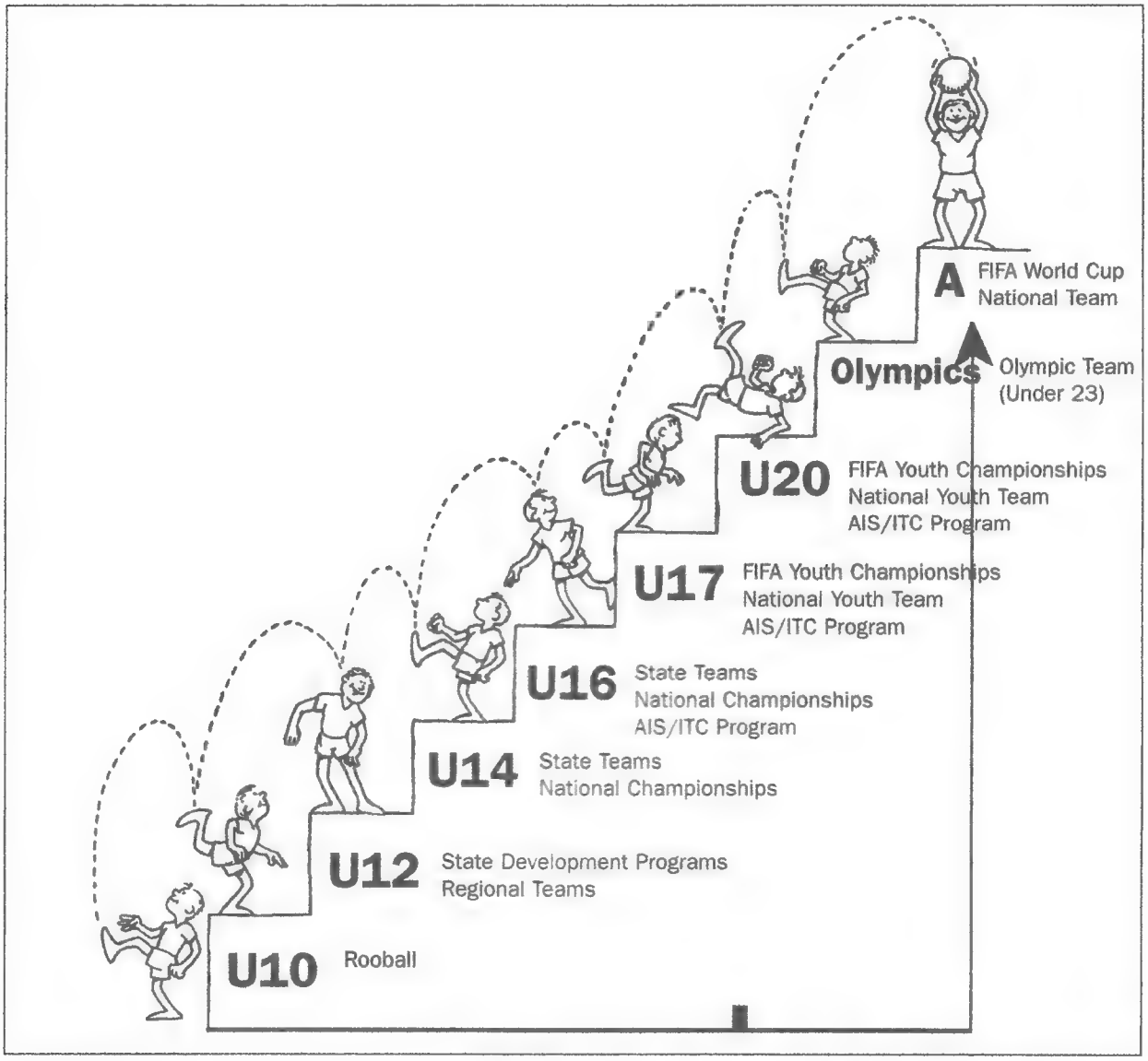
A thorough and exhaustive Talent Identification and Development Program selects players to play in the various National Teams. These programs include full utilisation of the Australian Institute of Sport Residential Program, including sports science and medicine.

Australia's successful Talent Identification and Development Programs are clearly borne out by the number of players who have now been contracted overseas. These programs also provide a structured pathway for those young Aussie kids aspiring to play for the Australian National Team.

Most Australian's at some point will come into contact with what is usually called sport's greatest game, soccer. In schools, at home, in the street, or at the local club, children will be playing with the world's favourite toy, the soccer ball.

For the vast majority of people, it is the joy and friendship involved in playing soccer that makes it so popular for all ages. However, there are also many Aussie kids who dream of one day playing in the National Team.

The long road to the men's or women's national teams can be seen in the diagram here:



The identification and development of players for the National Teams is a lengthy process, illustrated by the fact that the average age of players in most international teams in the FIFA World Cup is the mid twenties. Soccer Australia and the Australian Women's Soccer Association in conjunction with State Federations have maintained an extensive Talent Identification and Development Program to enhance Australia's future performance at International level and to ensure a structured pathway for young players.

Every youngster's dream: playing for the Socceroos, and maybe, why not, captaining the team...

Officials

AUSTRALIA

EDDIE THOMSON
(National Coach)

Date of Birth:
25.2.1947

Playing Career:
Heart of Midlothian, Scotland (8 years)
Aberdeen, Scotland (4 years)
San Antonio Thunder, NASL (1 year)
Sydney City, NSL (3 years)

Playing Honours:
Scotland Under 23s
Scottish League

Coaching Career:
Sydney City (7 years)
Sydney Olympic (3 years)
Australian Staff Coach
Assistant Australian National Coach (5 years)
National Director of Coaching (1 year)
National Coach (since 1990)

LES SCHEINFLUG
(Assistant National Coach)

Date of Birth:
1.10.1938

Playing Career:
Sydney Prague (9 years)
Marconi-Fairfield — player/coach (2 years)

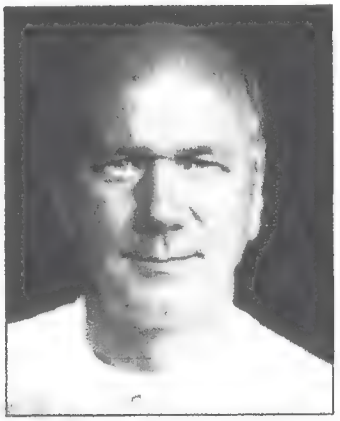
Playing Honours:
Australia (1964-68, 11 appearances)
Australian captain
Scored Australia's first ever World Cup goal v North Korea in 1965

Coaching Career:
Marconi-Fairfield (1970-71)
Canterbury (1971)
South Coast United (1972)
Sydney United (1973)
Assistant National Coach (1974, including World Cup Finals) (1979-81)
National Coach (1981-84)
National Youth Coach (1981-83, 1986–present)
Assistant National Coach (since 1990)

SWEDEN

Lars-Ake Lagrell	*Head of Delegation*
Sebastian Lagrell, Hans Hultman	*Secretary*
Tommy Svensson	*Head Coach*
Tord Grip	*Assistant Coach*
Lennart Ljung	*Goalkeeper Coach*
Stenove Ringborg	*Physiotherapist*
Bjorn Odo	*Masseur*
Stefan Alvarsson	*Equipment Manger*
Keith D'Arcy	*KAM Sports International*

TOMMY SVENSSON
(National Coach)



Born:
March 4, 1945

Former clubs as player:
Osters IF - 1971
Standard Liege 1971-73
Osters IF 1973-77

Swedish Champion 1968
Swedish Cup Champion 1977
Gulbollen' 1969
Played in the World Cup 1970
40 appearances in the national team (first apperance May 17 Sweden-DDR-0-1)

Former clubs as coach:
Osters IF 1978-84 (team manager)
Alvesta Golf 1985-86
Tromso IL 1988-90

Coach for the Swedish national team since 1991

Has this year signed a new agreement for a further three years as National Coach

Ullevi stadium, Gothenburg

A Talk with Tommy Svensson

This journey will be a perfect start for us in 1966, says Sweden's coach Tommy Svensson, who recently signed a new three-year contract with the Swedish Football Association.

After being eliminated in the Euro'96 qualifications, we will try to build a new team for the World Cup '98 campaign. It will be based upon most of the players from the successful squad in USA 1994, and completed with some of the most talented young players in Sweden.

The squad for these matches is missing a couple of the abroad-based professional players, but it is still a mixture of experience, like Ravelli, Roland Nilsson and Håkan Mild, and young talent.

Some of the talents, like central defender Teddy Lucic and right wing Niclas Alexandersson, both recently transferred to JFK Goteborg, gained their selection last year, and gave impressive performances.

Teams like IFK Goteborg and Helsingborgs IF have a lot of talented players. They will have a chance to gain a regular place in Sweden's line-up during the beginning of 1996. Playing in the Carlsberg Cup Hong Kong, and the two matches in Australia will be excellent opportunities for me to see these players in action, says Svensson.

We made a similar tour in 1992, where we had some young and at that time inexperienced players. Quite a lot of them have now become professional players in Europe, and regular players in the national team. I sincerely hope that I will find players with similar qualities in my team this time.

The Swedish national team with their bronze medals celebrating their well-earned third place at the 1994 World Cup in the USA

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